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2. Claim 18 (original claim 40) ends incomplete with the words "length of the".

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1) INITIALIZED copy of 1449 enclosed and forwarded to applicant

2) For remainder of original claims 23 and 40, please see pages 1 & 5, respectively, of the prelim. amdt filed 06/20/2002

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